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From: lovemotherearth@ecoisp.com
To: Mike Powell
Date: Fri, Apr 4, 2003 3:37 PM
Subject: Preserve Media Diversity: Keep the FCC Rulemaking an Open Process

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From: Gail Helland
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Fri, Apr 4, 2003 4:21 PM
Subject: Media Concentration

Dear Mr Adelstein,

Please, no further concentration of media. How can you ever trust just ONE source of information. And, I'm sorry, in some markets, that's exactly what we're talking about.

Thank you,

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